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**MEMORANDUM FOR:** Special Assistant to the Director  
for Planning and Development

**SUBJECT :** Appraisal of Attitudes of CINCs Interviewed

1. The paucity of intelligence on the CHICOM area and on Soviet maritime provinces along with the high quality of the photography clearly evoked among all of the commanders and chiefs interviewed intense interest and real gratification that such collection was feasible.

2. Other than the opening gambit which we suffered at the hands of Admiral Felt (and to which I attach no importance whatsoever), our reception was uniformly friendly, though understandably expressed with greater or less reserve depending on the personality of the commander interviewed. The continuation of good relations and most importantly support where required is dependent upon the ability to get more photography when needed and keeping our fences mended by appropriate deference to the commands in their responsibilities in the areas. Here I speak not of premission information (though in the case of 5th this is normal procedure) but rather giving them a sense of knowing what is going on in the theatre.

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